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In response to the significant lapses in oversight, a bipartisan group of state legislators led by Assemblyman Mike Gatto (D-Glendale) and Assemblyman Scott Wilk (R-Santa Clarita) are calling for a major overhaul of California's utilities regulator by eliminating the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) from the State Constitution and reassigning its regulatory oversight to other agencies.

The PUC has been the source of constant criticism since the 2010 San Bruno incident, the shutdown of the San Onofre nuclear power plant, and the Aliso Canyon gas leak which could have been prevented. The charter of the PUC was approved in 1911. It is time to reexamine the role of the PUC.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors support in concept the bipartisan legislative efforts to eliminate of the Public Utilities Commission and have its responsibilities divided to other state agencies.

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